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JAN. 20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS—AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

(Board meeting begins at 1 p.m., due to Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday)

Agenda Items:

Board considers recommendations and report by Inter-Agency Council on Child Abuse and Neglect on “Safely Surrendered and Abandoned Infants in Los Angeles County---2002.” (S-1, 2 p.m.)

Children’s Planning Council seeks approval of recommendations designed to improve the lives of children and families. (S-2, 2:30 p.m.)

Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky seeks report on the impact hauled water has on public health, fire safety and development. (Item 2)

Assessment sought of Candle Corp.’s NC4 system and its potential for improving communications among local governments. (Item 3)

Supervisor Don Knabe requests corrective action plan from Community and Senior Services in response to recent visit by state to review department’s monitoring activities. (Item 4).

Report requested on overtime by Sheriff’s Department, Health Services billing and collection, and financial review of the Public Library. (Item 8, continued from 12-9 and 12-16-03, and 1-13)

Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich seeks feasibility study of adopting program similar to one offered by the City of Monrovia to recognize service men and women who live in the County. (Item 9)

Approval sought to waive fees for Feb. 6 hearing at Hall of Administration by state committee investigating possible toxic exposure at Beverly Hills High School. (Item 10)

Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke seeks development of pilot “Adopt-A-Park” program to encourage donations for needed programs. (Item 11)

Consideration given to selling at public auction the former Compton Health Center property, 300 Rosecrans Ave., Compton, for a minimum of \$465,000, and setting March 23 for auction. (Item 13)

Authorization sought to develop \$300,000 interagency DNA tracking system. (Item 22, continued from 1-13)

Department of Children and Family Services seeks approval of \$1.2 million agreement to provide education and other types of training to relative and non-relative extended family care providers. (Item 22)

Consideration given to approving annual \$225,000 agreement with Merrick Bobb to continue monitoring the Sheriff's Department's implementation of the Kolts Report; and requesting update on special investigation started last year. (Item 25)

Supervisors asked to approve construction of temporary Fire Station 104 at 26201 Golden Valley Road, Santa Clarita, and to set Feb. 24 for bid opening. (Item 26)

Fire Department requests approval of two-year-agreement with Newhall Land and Farming Company to connect to water system at Del Valle Emergency Training Center. (Item 27)

Authorization sought to accept \$16.1 million in federal funding to prepare hospitals and health care systems to care for victims of terrorism and other public health emergencies. (Item 30)

Department of Health Services asks approval to establish a nurse advice line for residents enrolled in the Community Health Plan. (Item 32)

Department of Public Social Services seeks increase of \$15.4 million, from \$180.8 to \$196.3 million, in agreement for LEADER computer software to implement County, state and federal mandates. (Item 34, continued from 1-13)

Contract recommended for lab work for fossils and historical archaeological artifacts found at Grand Avenue realignment project in downtown Los Angeles. (Item 35)

Board asked to approve 40-year lease agreement for construction of aircraft maintenance hanger building with office space at Whiteman Airport in Pacoima with initial monthly rental rate of \$300. (Item 36)

Consideration given to five-year agreement for program to educate elementary school children about landfill waste and pollutants in waterways, at maximum cost of \$1 million annually. (Item 40)

Project proposed to remediate hillside sliding in Santa Monica Mountains. (Item 42)

Emergency Medical Services Commission asks supervisors to support state ballot initiative that would use surcharge on telephone calls made within California to fund emergency rooms, trauma centers and the 9-1-1 emergency dispatch system. (Item 54, continued from 1-13)

Settlement:

Supervisors asked to approve \$254,000 settlement of sexual harassment case involving a former chairman of the County's Mental Health Commission. (Item 55)